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Air Warfare and Air Base Defense, 1917-1973

John F. Kreis. 1988

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Giulio Douhet. Translated by Dino Ferrari, 1942 (Coward-McCann, Inc.), 1983, 1991

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Richard H. Kohn and Joseph P. Harahan, eds. 1983

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Air Power in Three Wars (World War II, Korea, Vietnam)

General William W. Momyer, USAF, (Ret.), 1978, 1985

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Over the Hump

Lt. Gen. William H. Tunner. 1964 (Duell, Sloan, & Pearce), 1985, 1998

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Richard H. Kohn and Joseph P. Harahan, eds. 1986

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Haywood S. Hansell, Jr. 1986

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Daniel Mortensen. 1987

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Vincent Orange. 1990 (Methuen), 1992

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292 pp., maps, photos, index



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Walter D. Edmonds. 1951 (Little, Brown and Company), 1992

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Robert F. Futrell. 1961 (Duell, Sloan and Pearce), revised 1983, 1991

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